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H.K.F.C. v. NAVAL TEAM.

A match under Rugby rules was played at Happy Valley on Saturday between the Hongkong Football Club and a team picked from the Naval men in port. The play was fast and furious and many a rendering of garments was witnessed during the game. Bidden, one of the Club players, was laid out on the ground. He had to be taken to the hospital, and it was there found that his collarbone was fractured. A win was recorded for the Club.

Result: Club, 3 tries; Naval team, 1 try.

Y.M.C.A. v. ROYAL ENGINEERS.

This match was played under Association Rules. The following team represented the Engineers: Widdows, goal; Mann and Jones, backs; Triscott, Ross and Parker, halves; Washbourne, Nettleton, Davis, Spears and Bell, forwards. From the start the Engineers had it all their own way, and simply romped over their opponents.

Result:—Engineers, 5; Y.M.C.A., nil.

H.M.S. "THELIS" v. NAVAL YARD.

The following were the contesting teams: *Thetis*: Hoskins, goal; Oxford and Taylor, backs; Jackson, Woolley and Hattie, halves; Calder, Gea, Edgar, Brumham and Whittington, forwards. Naval Yard:—Bateon, goal; Taylor and Lock, backs; Gibbons, Watson and Upcroft, halves; Coyne, Watkin, Gladwell, Ridley and Raby, forwards. The Naval Yard won this match by four goals to one, Gladwell kicking two, and Watson two, for the Naval Yard, while Edgar scored the one for the *Thetis* from a penalty about five minutes before the call of time.

Result: Naval Yard, 4; *Thetis*, 1.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

E.E. CUP.—11TH DECEMBER.

The cup given by the Royal Engineers was sailed for yesterday in a beautiful sailing breeze. Eleven yachts mustered at the starting line, which was marked by a boat moored off Stonecutters' South Pier. There was a light breeze from the eastward, which freshened as the day wore on. At 1.15 p.m. a good start was effected, but *Clavia* had badly misjudged the time, and did not cross the line till the other yachts had gone at least a mile on their journey. All started with spinnakers to port, and *Elspeth*, *Dione*, and *Benito* were the first to show in front on the run to the markboat off the little island of Chong-chau-Chung. From this point homewards it was a dead beat back, and *Dione* soon showed her powers of going to windward. The *Elspeth* stuck to her very closely, and looked as if she would save her time on her, but the freshening wind somewhat overpowered her, and the spectators on the *Solent* had a good view of the special composition on her bottom. The *Vernon* was sailed for the first time by her owner, who has now returned to the Colony, but did not manage to carry off the prize, as the *Colleen*, well sailed by her sporting owner, Mr. Pollock, crossed the line well within her time.

The *Chanticleer* and *Doreen* went much better than last year, but their recent performances had reduced their handicap. His Excellency the Governor viewed the race from the *Victoria*, and went home afterwards with the Colonial Secretary in his yacht the *Dione*.

There was a large party also on board the *Solent*, which was gaily dressed with flags for the occasion, whence they had a good view of the various phases of the race.

After all the yachts had crossed the line they picked up moorings which had previously been laid out for them, and boats were sent off to bring the crews on board the *Solent*.

The prize, a beautiful bowl of Japanese silver, was then presented by Mrs. L. F. Brown, the wife of the Commanding Royal Engineer, and Mr. Pollock was heartily cheered on receiving it.

The times at the finish of the race were as follows:—

Yacht	H. M. S.	H. M. S.	Corrected.
<i>Dione</i>	3 11 15	3 11 15	
<i>Elspeth</i>	3 13 20	3 11 20	
<i>Vernon</i>	3 16 40	3 16 40	
<i>Colleen</i>	3 16 50	3 7 35	
<i>Min</i>	3 19 35	3 10 20	
<i>Erica</i>	3 22 25	3 13 10	
<i>Iris</i>	3 26 15	3 15 15	
<i>Chanticleer</i>	3 28 3	3 15 3	
<i>Doreen</i>	3 30 17	3 17 40	
<i>Gloria</i>		not timed	

MASONIC ITEMS.

The District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South China, English Constitution, will hold its annual meeting on the evening of the 20th inst. The Right Worshipful Bro. Sir C. Chater, O.M.G., is District Grand Master; and the Right Worshipful Bro. E. C. Bay, Deputy District Grand Master.

The installation ceremony of Lodge St. John, No. 618 Scottish Constitution, takes place to-night; and that of Victoria Lodge, No. 1026 English Constitution, on the 22nd inst.

LECTURE AT THE Y.M.C.A.

The Rt. Rev. J. C. Hears, Bishop of Victoria, last evening gave a lecture at the Y.M.C.A. rooms on "Coincidences of modern discovery with the Bible." His address, he said, was not any kind of an argument in defence of the Bible; he merely wanted to give a few coincidences in which the Bible was borne out by modern discovery. For example, it was a curious coincidence that a viper hung to St. Paul's hand in Malta. Who ever heard of a viper doing such a thing as that? It was a fact, however, that the only snakes in the world with this peculiarity were in Malta.

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE ANGLO-FRENCH CONVENTION.

LONDON, 8th December.

M. Delcassé, in a debate on the Anglo-French Convention, said that its opponents had concentrated their criticism on Newfoundland, yet all that France had abandoned was a valueless fishery right, and in exchange had received important compensations elsewhere. The Convention was the result of a foreign policy based on a definite plan, and followed perseveringly for six years, by which Spain and Italy were consolidated, and Great Britain no longer saw in France anything but a tried worker, whom it was difficult to replace in the field of peace and concord.

THE FRANCO-SIAMESE CONVENTION.

LONDON, 8th December.

The French Senate has approved of the Franco-Siamese Convention without a division. M. Delcassé declared that the convention secured French preponderance in the Mekong basin without moving a soldier or expending a centime.

JAPANESE EXCLUDED FROM AUSTRALIA.

LONDON, 8th December.

Mr. Bruce Smith's amendment in the Australian Parliament relative to Japanese immigration is deferred indefinitely.

TURKEY AND AUSTRIA.

LONDON, 9th December.

Turkey has yielded to demands made by Austria in connection with a detention of mails and the incident is regarded as closed.

THE KING.

LONDON, 9th December.

It is announced at Portsmouth that His Majesty King Edward will start for a cruise in the Mediterranean early in February.

AMERICAN TARIFF REVISION.

LONDON, 9th December.

The revision of the American Tariff has been practically shelved until next Autumn.

THE ROYAL NAVAL FUND.

LONDON, 9th December.

H. R. H. The Prince of Wales has accepted the presidency of the Royal Naval Fund.

THE WAR.

[BY COURTESY OF THE JAPANESE CONSUL.]

CRIPPLED AT PORT ARTHUR.

Tokyo, 10th December.

The Commander of the Naval Artillery reports that the bombardment on Friday set the *Bayan* afire. She heeled over to port nearly twenty-five degrees, and almost capsized. The *Retvisan* and *Pollava* submerged in high tide up to the upper deck, below the conning tower. The *Pallada* and *Pobeda* heel considerably to port and starboard respectively, exposing the hull below the water line. In high tide a part of the upper deck is washed. The *Peresvet* submerges in high tide up to the poop, and up to the torpedo tube at the bow. The *Gilyak* is close to shore and is listing considerably. It is believed that she is resting on the bottom. At dawn on Friday the *Sevastopol* removed her anchorage to the outer roadstead, presumably for the purpose of escaping from our shells.

JAPANESE CRUISER SUNK.

LATER.

The Commander of the Third Squadron reports that the cruiser *Saiyuen*, 1,344 tons, while engaged in co-operating with the army and blockade near Port Arthur fortress, hit a Russian mechanical mine on November 30 and sank. All her men excepting 38 were saved, including Captain Tajima.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE THIRD RUSSIAN FAR EASTERN SQUADRON.

LONDON, 8th December.

The *Mail* St. Petersburg states the Tsar decreed yesterday that a third squadron, not the Black Sea squadron, shall be despatched to the Far East.

LATER.

A third Russian Far Eastern squadron will, it is reported, leave in January.

JAPAN AND THE HAGUE CONFERENCE.

LONDON, 9th December.

It is announced in Washington that Japan has accepted an invitation to a second Hague conference provided that the decisions do not affect the present war.

THE TSAR AND THE "TALBOT."

LONDON, 9th December.

The Tsar has presented a silver bowl and ladle to the wardrobe officers of H.M.S. *Talbot* in friendly recognition of the assistance rendered to the crews of the Russian cruiser *Varyag* and gunboat *Koriets* at Chemulpo, also a cheque for £500.

A Sunday newspaper in London recently announced that H.R.H. the Prince of Wales was consumptive, and had toured the world on the advice of Sir Frederick Treves, Sergeant Surgeon-in-Ordinary to the King. Lord Knollys, Private Secretary to the King, writing in reference to this report, declares the story to be an unmitigated and mischievous falsehood.

The programme of music to be performed by the Band of the 93rd Burma Infantry on the New Parade Ground, to-day, the 12th December, from 4 to 5.30 p.m. —
March..... "The Union's Call"..... Eilenberg
Overture..... "Heyday"..... Abner
Selection..... "The Toreador"..... Monckton
Dance..... "Japanese"..... Thomas
Selection..... "Pepita"..... Lecocq
Waltz..... "April Moon"..... Batten
"God Save the King."

Mr. Secretary Hay's despatch from Washington, with reference to the summoning of a second Peace Conference to complete the postponed work of the Hague Conference, suggested the consideration of the following subjects:—
1. The rights and duties of neutrals. The inviolability of private property in naval warfare. The distinction between absolute and conditional contraband. The inviolability of official and private correspondence of neutrals. The duties of neutrals towards belligerent ships in neutral ports. The bombardment of ports and towns by a naval force.

After a very successful season, Hamston's Circus is now leaving for Manila. The last performance was on Saturday night, and was fully up to the average. The bicycle which was pulled by an Indian boy. The whole show concluded with the lion performance, which was nearly ending in serious consequences. One of the lions was in a very bad humour and as the daring trainer laid on his whip snapped at him viciously. Harder came the blows of the whip, but the king of beasts was not to be cowed, and springing at the trainer, just missed his thigh, but catching his trousers, rent them to shreds. The trainer waited no longer, but quickly decamped from the cage.

The necessity for affording facilities to the Press and the public for being acquainted with the various stages that the measures of Government undergo, will be admitted. A lead in this direction has been made by the Government of India, who have announced the opening of a room at headquarters, where works of reference will be kept and where official news will be made available to Press correspondents for the benefit of the newspapers they represent. Such news will not necessarily be confined, as has hitherto been the practice, to matters upon which a final decision has been arrived at, but may extend to correspondence in progress and questions still under discussion. We feel confident (says the *Penang Gazette*) that the Governments of the Straits and the States will realize the expediency of the move of the Government of India, and perhaps follow their example. At Hongkong it will be a safe to say "perhaps."

HONGKONG GUN CLUB.

On Saturday afternoon the members of the Hongkong Gun Club were at home to their friends to celebrate the shoot off for the Championship of 1904.

A bright afternoon was made the more cheery by the presence of many ladies, amongst whom were Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. P. N. H. Jones, Mrs. Cruickshank, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Turner, Mrs. Moxon, Miss Bird, and the Misses Berkeley. The President of the Club, the Hon. W. J. Gresson, was present and several friends of members.

The result of the Championship was a win for Mr. A. Campbell Macmillan—who was also last year's champion.

The leading scores were (out of 20 birds)—15 yards (ris):—

Mr. A. C. Macmillan	18 birds
Mr. G. C. Moxon	15 "
Mr. H. W. Looker	15 "
Mr. E. E. Deacon	14 "

After the Championship there was a ladies' nomination in which (after a tie) Mr. Looker secured the first prize for Mrs. Jones and Mr. Brooks Smith the second for Mrs. Hornby. Tea and refreshments terminated a very jolly afternoon.

PAKHOL.

6th December.

EMIGRATION.

The s.s. *Rajabari* arrived here on the 27th ultimo and left on the 29th ultimo for Muntok, with about 700 emigrants on board.

RETURN OF OLD RESIDENTS.

Dr. and Mrs. Horder and infant, Mrs. Beauchamp and Miss Havers, all members of the Church Missionary Society, arrived here on the 28th ult. from England. Dr. and Mrs. Horder went home on furlough about two years ago.

DEPARTURES OF TWO OF OUR MEDICS.

On the 28th ultimo, Dr. and Mrs. Mesny and Miss Mesny left for Hanoi via Haiphong. Dr. Mesny was the medical officer in charge of the French Hospital here, which post is now left vacant until the arrival of Dr. Abatucci, who is expected here soon.

Dr. Frederic Sanger also left on the 2nd instant for Fuhkien via Hongkong. He has been in sole charge of the Church Mission Hospital here for close on a year, during which period he has made himself very popular amongst all classes.

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If the secretary of the London Mendicity Society may say, as he has just done, that of London's 75,000 street beggars, "all are undeserving," we may be permitted, without being taxed with want of feeling, to suggest that of the four hundred beachcombers on the Chinese coast, most are undeserving likewise. Lately, there have been letters addressed to various papers in Shanghai and Hongkong, by members of the unemployed class so designated, which seem to indicate that a new "dodge" to foster shiftlessness and idleness has been lighted upon. A touching letter is penned, explaining that the writer is absolutely unable to obtain work. The fact that immediately after publication of such letter, some person comes forward with an offer of employment, should be regarded as an argument that the difficulty of obtaining a situation is not so great as these fellows make out. The fact is, they want the fruit to fall into their open mouths. They want a coolie to carry for them the tools of their trade. They are not genuinely in distress, or they would do a little more of what our American cousins call "hustling." Only those who have been seriously attempted to reduce the beachcomber nuisance can understand the true inwardness of the question now attracting such general attention. Many undesirables are shipped away, but faster than they can be provided for, others are coming. The evil apparently thrives on the remedy. We have seen how, by the confessions of some of the worse beachcombers, both Hongkong and Shanghai have a reputation for being charitable. This is not a reputation under

which we should smirk self-satisfiedly. At the best, it means that we are too prone to rid ourselves of the pesterers by means of the eleemosynary dollar; or that we have some feeble notion of maintaining the prestige of the white man with the yellow by covering up our social sores. The last idea is a mistaken one, for so long as a philanthropic or grandmotherly government insists on persuading the yellow man that he is our brother and fellow subject, he will not see anything to respect in our immaculate whiteness. Philosophically and ethically, especially if we be at Home, we are bound to disapprove the attitude of those colonists who (as e.g. the Australians) draw a colour line. Closer acquaintance with the facts introduces the question of expediency, and different views. On the other hand, if the yellow man is our brother, why should we contemplate with indifference, or comparative equanimity, the yellow pauper; and be so greatly exercised in mind because a shiftless White is in temporary straits?

Our opinion is that philanthropy is wasted, and worse than wasted, on these ne'er-do-wells; for we are convinced that no really honest, industrious, and ordinarily capable man need long fail to find some honest employment in a community as large as that of Hongkong or Shanghai. For those who are not honest, or not willing to work, why should we be squeamish? Let our municipality or Government provide, not mere houses of detention, but "work"-houses in the real sense of the word, making the inmates earn by a positive putting forth of energy the food and shelter they pretend is all they need. In a very short time, the regular professionals would disappear; and we should acquire a more sensible reputation that would keep away the humbugs who at present flock to our ports. It is dangerous, and it is wrong, to encourage the numerous worthless ones for fear that there might be one worthy. Let the flood of practical administration come. Any Noah of a beachcomber there may happen to be amongst the ruck will soon find his Ark.

Supplement No. 5 to Mr. Arthur Chapman's Street Index has been issued.

A meeting of members of the new One Design Yacht Club will be held on Wednesday.

A piece of Crown land at Shek Tong Tsui will be put up for auction on the 27th inst.

Five small lots of Crown land at Ta' po will be auctioned on the 19th inst.

The Portuguese battleship *Vasco da Gama*, having arrived from Shanghai, saluted the port on Saturday.

H. E. the Governor has extended the leave of absence of Lieut. William Nicholson, H.K.V.C., to the 31st January, 1905.

A meeting of Justices will be held on the 20th inst. in connection with an application for a liquor licence.

On and after the 1st February next the fees at Queen's College will be as follows:—Classes, 1 to 3—\$42 per annum; Classes 4 to 8—\$24 per annum.

The final performance of "Dorothy" by the Hongkong A.D.C. took place on Saturday night. There is something about it in "Jottings."

Messrs. Gregor & Co. send us an illustrated supplement of the Sunday edition of the *Gaulois*, containing an interesting article entitled "In the Cognac Country."

Monsignor Merel, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Canton, arrived from that city on Saturday afternoon, and officiated at the service in the Cathedral yesterday. His Lordship is staying at the mission house of the Missions Etrangères in Caine Road.

Last night the Roman Catholic Cathedral and various private residences were again illuminated. The facade of the Campanile was also lit up on Saturday night, and again to-night the illumination will be repeated by special desire.

The dead heat for second place in the Gynkhana Club Challenge Cup, between *Little Momo* and *Desert King*, was run off at Happy Valley for the second time on Saturday morning. *Little Momo*, with the owner, Mr. G. K. H. Brutton, up, was in very poor form, having been going lame lately. *Desert King*, Hon. W. J. Gresson up, won easily by a length and a half, the mile being covered in 2 min. 25 sec.

A new banking institution has commenced operations in Rangoon, called the Bank of Burma, Limited, with an authorised capital of £10 lakhs. It is the first bank there to be financed by local capital, and this fact alone will do much to secure it the sympathy and support of the local commercial community. The shares are not for sale, the whole issue having been taken up by a few local capitalists. According to the prospectus, the Bank's business will be the usual safe banking business conducted by the older institutions here. The first manager is Mr. R. F. Strachan, who was for some time manager of Rangoon Branch of the Commercial Bank.

HONGKONG JOTTINGS.

"Dorothy" made her positively last appearance at the City Hall on Saturday night. The audience was thin. The performers all showed the improvement due to the practice and familiarity, but many of them looked bored. The chorus, or parts of it, stoned by being extrusively frisky. Most of the lady performers received enormous bouquets, "Priscilla" (Mrs. Hall-Wright) receiving seven or eight. There is no need to write more of individual performances.

For the benefit of "Jans," who takes "Dorothy's" place, copies of Kipling's comment on Hongkong theatricals should be handed round. He says:—

"They have amateur theatricals and they quarrel and all the men and women take sides, and the station is cleaved asunder from the top to the bottom. Then they become reconciled and write to the local papers condemning the local critic's criticism. Isn't it touching? A lady told me these things one afternoon, and I nearly wept from sheer homesickness. 'And then, you know, after she had said that he was obliged to give the part to the other, and that made them furious, and the races were so near that nothing could be done, and Mrs.—'

said that it was altogether impossible. You understand how unpleasant it must have been, do you not? 'Madam,' I said, 'I do. I have been there before. My heart goes out to Hongkong. In the name of the Great Indian Mofussil I salute you. Henceforward Hongkong is one of us, ranking before Meerut, but after Allahabad, at all public ceremonies and parades.' I think she fancied I had sunstroke. It is whispered that there have been heart-burnings over "Dorothy," and that the stage-manager has several new grey hairs.

The exodus from the Colony in the Spring will be an unusually large one. Among those who are bidding us farewell are Mr. D. R. Law, Mr. R. C. Wilcox, and Mr. Newman Munford (who has accepted a transfer to Constantinople), while among those who are leaving on a holiday are the Colonial Secretary (Mr. May), Mr. Gompertz, Mr. Tomkins, Mr. E. W. Mitchell, Mr. F. Smyth, Mr. Wendt, Mr. Hinds and several other well-known residents and their families. On one homeward-bound steamer I am told that there will be at least twenty Hongkong children.

I was asked recently how it is that such a well-known street as the Rialto does not figure in the Streets Directory of the Colony. The answer is that the section of Queen's Road extending from Ico House Street to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, which is the district sometimes referred to as the Rialto, has not been officially christened so. As all the world knows, the Rialto is the business centre of Venice to which reference is frequently made in Shakespeare's play the Merchant of Venice, as for example:

Many a time and oft
In the Rialto you have rated me
About my monies and my usances.

The Beachcomber Question has been cropping up again both here and in Shanghai for consideration, and opinions are as strongly divided as ever as to whether any official action should be taken in the matter. Personally, I think that so long as we permit the dumping of indigent persons in the Colony the only suggestion worth considering is whether a labour bureau for casuals should not be established. The man of good character who is willing to work need not starve in Hongkong or sleep in the streets; the difficulty such men have is to ascertain just where to make their application for work. We all know the Beachcomber fairly well, and I doubt if five per cent. of those who beg at our street corners could accurately be described as "sober," honest and industrious. Ships which bring Chinese lunatics into the Colony to be a charge on the Colonial Treasury are now liable to a penalty, and it seems to me that the only way to effectually stop the beachcomber nuisance is to extend the principle of this legislation.

The Band of the West Kent Regiment which played in the Public Gardens last week appears to have already made a reputation for itself in Hongkong, and I have no doubt when it is next privileged to play in the Public Gardens there will be a much larger attendance of the general public to listen to it.

I hear that the Peak Tramway Company are opposing the new Peak Tramway Bill which has passed its second reading and is now being considered clause by clause in Committee. The existing Company, I understand, offer opposition to the termination of the new line being at Victoria Gap.

BANYAN.

SUPREME COURT.

Saturday, 10th December.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. T. SERCOMBE SMITH (PUNISH JUDGE).

RITCHIE AND CO. v. F. L. CLYDE.
In this case the plaintiff firm, which was represented by Mr. P. W. Goldring, claimed \$177.84 for goods sold and delivered to the defendant.

The defendant admitted liability on account of some of the items, but submitted that others were bought on behalf of a yacht club to which he belonged.

His Honour held the defendant responsible and gave judgment for the plaintiff firm with costs.

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VICTORIA REGATTA.

THIRD DAY.

Saturday's rowing and sailing races were contested under very good conditions. The band of the 110th Mahrattas played selections on the flagship *Kwongtung* during the afternoon. Canton carried the Challenge Cup, thereby maintaining a position of second to none during the regatta. The dragon boat race, in which each (three) competitive boat was manned by about forty paddlers, was a decidedly novel spectacle to many. The beating of gongs and tom-toms, and fan-waving to keep time, made the race all the more interesting. The ladies' prize was won by J. Wittchell's crew. The results were as follows:—

CHALLENGE CUP.
Four oars. Seniors. Mile and a half. Rowed in competing clubs' boats. Starters:—
Canton 1
V.R.C. 2
Boat Club 3

The starters were as follows:—
Hongkong Boat Club: A. Toelck, C. G. Bruckner, C. Koenig, W. O. Koehler, B. Siebs (Cox).
Canton Rowing Club: H. Bollman, E. E. Andrus, R. Leslie, W. Imhoof, A. W. Parnell (Cox).

Victoria Recreation Club: R. W. Pearson, T. E. Pearce, L. A. Musso, J. Wittchell, G. A. Caldwell (Cox).

The boats kept pretty level at the outset. Canton, with 34 strokes to the minute, then took the lead by about three lengths. The home boats pulling 30 to 31, regained some of the lost distance, but neither of them were able to quite challenge the visitors. Imhoof and his men next spurred to a length ahead of the others, and won a very hard race. The V. R. C. boat finished three feet in front of the Boat Club.

Time—11 min. 38½ sec.

HARBOUR POLICE.
For Chinese members of the Harbour Police. Service boats. One mile. First prize—\$10; second—\$4.

Cox 419 1
Cox 402 2

Those were six starters. The first two boats left the others well astern and had a hard pull for first honours. Cox 419's boat won by four feet.

Time—10 min. 15 sec.

MAN-O-WAR GIGS AND WHALERS.

One mile. Time allowance, eight seconds per oar. Post entries. Service oars. First prize—\$15; second—\$5.

Liguria's whaler (six oars) 1
Furst Bismarck's whaler (eight oars) 2

No Britishers started. It was a race between the Italian cruiser *Liguria's* boat (six oars) and two whalers (six and eight oars respectively) from the German flagship *Furst Bismarck*. The Italians won by 18½ seconds from the eight-oar boat. There was a long distance between second and third.

Time—8 min. 35 sec.

CHINESE SNAKE BOATS.

One mile. First prize—\$10; second—\$5.

Yan Lee 1
Tem Kee 2

Six boats, started—Wing Man Chan, Hung Hop (han, Tai Hing, Po Koo, Tem Kee and Yan Lee. The foremost two boats had a very fine race, Tem Kee winning by a quarter of a length.

Time—8 min. 42½ sec.

BROOKERS CUP.

Light gigs; double sculls. Presented by the brokers of Hongkong. Open to members not rowing in the four-oar races. Half-mile.

Terrible 1

Originally two boats entered, but one of them, the *Powerful*, scratched, and two other men filled the vacancy. The starters were as follows:—

Terrible—E. Humphreys (bow), S. A. Seth (stroke) and J. P. Jordan (cox).
Powerful—H. A. Seth (bow), C. Humphreys (stroke) and Cruickshank (cox).

The *Terrible*, pulling easily, covered the distance. The other boat did not finish.

Time—7 min. 41 sec.

CHINESE DRAGON BOATS.

One mile. Cash prizes.

Kwok Man Po 1
Lai Hoi Fu 2

Three boats, Leung Tsoi Yau, Lai Hoi Fu, and Kwok Man Po, started. The boats, making erratic courses, were paddled furiously, at about sixty strokes a minute. The Kwok Man Po boat won easily, but it was a good race for second place.

Time—7 min. 47½ sec.

LADIES' PRIZE.

Presented by the Ladies of Hongkong. Four oars. One mile.

Re 1
Thistle 2

The starters were:—

Thistle—R. W. Pearson, T. E. Pearce, G. B. Macdonald, L. A. Musso, G. A. Caldwell (Cox).
Rose—A. Loureiro, C. E. A. Hanco, H. C. Austen, J. Wittchell, F. Lammett (Cox).

A good start was made, but the Portuguese crew soon afterwards fell behind, and ceased to be an entity in the race. Wittchell and Musso for some distance had a very good race.

Towards the end, however, the former shot ahead, and continued to gain during the final spurt. Wittchell's crew won by four lengths.

Time—7 min. 37½ sec.

SAILING RACES.

On the final day there were only two sailing races. As before the starting line was between two mark-boats anchored off the flagship.

Results were as follows:—

RACING YACHTS.

The course was round a mark-boat north of

Kaulchow (starboard) and back to the starting line. The result was as follows:—

Yacht	N. M. S.	H. M. S.	Corrected.
Kathleen	3 35 30	3 26 00	
Mia	3 36 15	3 26 55	
Bonito	3 36 20	3 27 00	
Dione	3 27 35	3 27 35	
Vernon	3 28 30	3 28 30	
Chanticleer	3 42 15	3 29 15	
Payne	3 47 18	3 29 18	
Erica	3 39 12	3 29 52	
Elspeth	3 32 05	3 30 05	
Iris	3 41 45	3 32 45	
Aileen	3 34 45	3 32 45	
Doreen	3 47 10	3 32 45	
Spray	4 0 35	3 49 35	
Gael	4 13 45	3 53 45	

The owners were as follows:—*Kathleen*, Officers R.E.; *Mia*, Capt. H. Crichton, R.A.; *Bonito*, Mr. H. W. Bird; *Dione*, Hon. F. H. May; *CMG*, *Vernon*, Mr. H. P. Tooker; *Chanticleer*, Dr. E. W. Parker, R.N.; *Payne*, Officers R.E.; *Erica*, Mr. A. Denison; *Elspeth*, Mr. C. A. Tomes; *Iris*, Mr. A. B. Rouse; *Aileen*, Col. L. F. Brown; *Doreen*, Lieut. E. Cummings, R.A.; *Spray*, Mr. H. Murray Scott; *Gael*, Mr. M. Molvar.

MIDSHIPMEN'S RACE.

Service boats manned by midshipmen only. The race was won by a German boat:—

Baderbaken, 4h. 17m. 45sec.

PRIZES.

The prizes were given away on the flagship at the conclusion of the races.

Miss Barnes-Lawrence presented the Ladies' Prize. Mr. Harold Austen, Hon. Secretary of the V.R.C., said that on behalf of the Club he thanked the Ladies of Hongkong for so kindly presenting such a handsome trophy. He presented a handsome bouquet of flowers in a silver holder to Miss Barnes-Lawrence. Three cheers were then given for the Ladies of Hongkong.

Lady Villiers-Hatton distributed the other prizes. Mr. A. Chapman, Chairman of the V.R.C., congratulated the visitors from Canton, and hoped they would give the local teams other races on future occasions. He thanked the water police for the excellent way they had kept the course clear, and finally, after the prize distribution, presented Lady Villiers-Hatton with a handsome bouquet of flowers.

COMMITTEE DINNER.

The Committees of the V. R. C. and Hongkong Boat Club invited the Canton visitors to dinner at the Hongkong Hotel on Saturday evening. About thirty sat down to table. Several toasts were responded to. Mr. W. S. Bailey in a short speech said that it was a pity that there was a feeling of rivalry between two of the sporting clubs in the Colony. There was not enough room for two clubs; they ought to amalgamate—and then they would beat Canton.

After dinner the party went to the final performance of "Dorothy" at the City Hall.

REGATTA TIFFIN.

The Regatta Tiffin, at which over thirty were present, was held at the Hongkong Hotel yesterday. The prosperity of the Victoria Recreation Club was proposed by Mr. Leslie, and responded to by Mr. H. C. Austen, the Hon. Secretary. Mr. R. H. B. Mitchell proposed the Visitors, and Mr. Parnell replied. Mr. L. Mick toasted the Press, and Mr. T. Clark responded. Mr. Bailey proposed the Ladies, and Mr. J. W. Bains responded. The Health of the Chairman was proposed by Mr. H. C. Austen.

POLICE COURT.

Saturday, 10th December.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

EXTRADITION CASE.

In this case, in which the Philippine Government applied for the extradition of Harrison Nob's on four counts of embezzlement and two counts of larceny as a servant, the report of which appeared in a previous issue, His Worship delivered judgment. He could not uphold Mr. Leoker's contention with regard to the illegality of the requisition made by the Governor of the Philippines, but agreed with him that the evidence was not sufficient to permit the extradition, and on the merits of the case he would discharge the defendant.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

BREACH OF THE RULE OF THE ROAD.

Inspector Collett presented a Chinese coolie for committing a breach of the rule of the road. Three coolies were pushing a load of goods along the wrong side of the Vaux Road. A constable called them to the other side, but on getting a little further along they were making for their right side when one of the wheels of the truck broke, and the goods fell on to the tram line, thereby obstructing the passage of a coming tram. The constable arrested one of the coolies, but the other two made off. The defendant was fined \$25.

THE EFFECTS OF GROC.

The third engineer of the *Chung Ya* was charged with behaving in a disorderly manner while drunk, assaulting two Indian constables and assaulting a European. He was fined \$10 or the alternative of six weeks on each charge.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The O. & S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Doric*, with mails &c., left Manila for this port on the 10th inst., p.m. and is due here this morning.

The I.G.M. steamer *Room*, carrying the German mails with dates from Berlin of the 22nd Nov., left Colombo on Saturday, p.m., and may be expected here on Wednesday, the 21st inst.

The I.G.M. steamer *Prinzess Alice*, which left here on the 9th Nov., at noon, arrived at Genoa on Friday at 10 a.m.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Tientsin* left Singapore for this port on the 9th inst., at 6 a.m.

The O.S.S. & C.M. steamer *Coches* left Kitchinotzu on the 9th inst., at noon, and may be expected here on the 14th inst.

CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. v. NAVY.

On Saturday, Airy (Club) and Lieut. Cornabe (Navy) distinguished themselves as batsmen. The former had made the fine total of 76 when he was bowled by Lieut. Gibson; and Lieut. Cornabe was still at the wicket, with 42 to his credit, when play was stopped in the evening. Capt. Harris was responsible for no less than five of the Club wickets. For the other side Bird and Lumden took three wickets apiece. Bird sent down five maidens. Scores were as follows:—

THE CLUB.

W. F. Lumden, R.A., c. Escombe, b. Noble 8

A. G. Ward, b. Harris 49

P. M. Both, 114th M., b. Gibson 40

Major Paddy, R.W.K., b. Harris 13

G. E. Morrell, b. Harris 15

H. Hancock, b. Harris 15

Major Chichester, C.S.O., b. Cantrell 76

J. A. O. Airy, 114th M., b. Gibson 42

Capt. P. G. Davis, A.O.C., b. Harris 40

T. Sercombe Smith (capt.), not out 29

Extras 5

Total 220

E. E. O. Bird did not bat—innings declared closed.

THE NAVY.

Sit-Li Benbow, R.N., b. Lumden 5

Lieut. Noble, R.N., b. Lumden 13

Conn. Bentinck, R.N. (capt.), b. Bird 19

Lieut. Escombe, R.N., c. b. Bird 19

Lieut. Cantrell, R.A., b. Lumden 42

Lieut. Cornabe, R.N., not out 42

Capt. Harris, R.N.A., b. Morrell 0

Capt. Harris, R.N.A., b. Bird 0

Lieut. Gibson, R.N., c. and b. T. Smith 14

Eng-Lieut. de B. H. E. N. not out 2

Mr. Osborne, R.N., did not bat.

Extras 11

Total 119

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

THE CLUB.

Noble 4 1 3 26 5

Harris 9 3 26 5

Gibson 9 3 26 1

Cantrell 2 2 25 1

Bentinck 2 2 25 1

THE NAVY.

R. E. O. Bird 15 5 50 3

Lumden 10 2 39 3

Morrell 4 1 8 1

Paddy 3 7 7 1

T. Sercombe Smith 3 13 1

CIVIL SERVICE V. R.G.A.

This match ended in favour of the Royal Artillery by 6 wickets and 55 runs. The Civil Service team batted first, but could not stand against the accurate shooting of Gunner Bombard, backed up by Corporal Ramsey and Corporal Oliver, the whole team being dismissed for the small total of 47. A. R. Rason alone batted well. The Artillery then took a turn with the bat and gave a good exhibition of hard hitting, scoring 102 for 4 wickets. Rivers and Longbottom played a very free game.

ROYAL ARTILLERY.

Bom. Oliver, b. Rason 8

Gunner Bombard, b. Wessley 9

Sergeant Arthur, b. Wessley 8

Mr. Rivers, not out 32

Sergeant Longbottom, b. Brett 38

Extras 9

Total (for wickets) 102

Sergeant Woods, C.M. Major Thomas, Bom. Crofts, Corporal Ramsey, Corporal Spal, and Bom. Johnston did not bat.

CIVIL SERVICE C.C.

A. E. F. Raven, I.B.W., b. Crump 23

W. L. Wessley, b. Oliver 8

P. T. Lumbie, c. and b. Crump 6

L. E. Brett, not out 7

W. Brann, I.B.W., b. Crump 0

F. T. Robins, b. Ramsey 0

W. H. Wessley, b. Crump 0

W. Far, not out 5

H. J. Ridley, not out 5

T. P. Conolly, c. and b. Crump 0

A. Brown, b. Ramsey 0

Extras 1

Total 47

POLICE v. HONGKONG "A."

The result of this match is in doubt. The game was continued beyond the regulation time, but with the consent of the captain of each team. Time was called when the first ball in the last over had been bowled, and some of the players contended that the over should be played out. The Police are claiming a win, while the Club claim a draw. The matter will probably come before the League. Scores stand:—

POLICE.

Winter, c. and b. Mackenzie 0

Lander, c. Butt, b. McKay 6

Fowler, b. Hatcher, c. Kow, b. Fowler 15

Edwards, c. Kow, b. McKay 7

Ballifox, I.B.W., b. McKay 7

Langley, c. McKay, b. Fowler 15

Pitt, not out 1

Kerr, not out 3

McHardy, b. Mackenzie 0

Clyde, c. and b. Mackenzie 0

Extras 17

Total 81

HONGKONG "A."

Mackenzie, c. Ballifox, b. Kerr 14

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TRADE MARKS REGISTRATION.

From the Board of Commerce to the Wai-Wu-Pu forwarding a despatch from Sir Robert Hart—

This Board begs to acknowledge the receipt on the 20th day of the Eighth Moon, this year (3rd October, 1904), of a despatch stating that your Board has given instructions to the Inspector-General regarding the duty of the Branch offices for the Registration of Trade Marks, and received from him a reply which reads as follows—

"I find that the regulations and forms are in the Chinese language, but as foreign merchants are going to register their trade marks, English forms are therefore required as auxiliaries. The two Commissioners of the Customs Houses at Tientsin and Shanghai as agents should have English forms prepared in order to facilitate the work. I have ten special and seven miscellaneous forms translated into English, and they are to be sent to the Commissioners of the two Customs Houses to have more printed for use. Copies of the printed forms will be forwarded to the Board of Commerce through your Board for record."

"Again, having learned that the merchants of all nations request their respective ministers in Peking to communicate with your Board to postpone the registration of trade marks, as only a short notice is given, and all the necessary arrangements have not been made, it would be better to consent to their request and postpone for a year in order to have everything arranged properly; moreover, this enterprise is different from others, and cannot be enforced 'on trial'. Any undelinkings such as registering, issuing certificates, must be well arranged beforehand and carried out at the time without alteration. The Board of Commerce thinks that only one office should have the sole control of matters connected with registration. This is quite right. Divergence and double dealing will thus be avoided. It was originally proposed that the Customs Houses at Tientsin and Shanghai should be created agencies. In my opinion it would be better for the Board of Commerce, during the postponement, to establish an office in Shanghai, a central and important part of the country. All matters connected with the registration of trade marks, both foreign and Chinese, should be controlled by this office. If there is inconvenience in establishing an office in Shanghai, the foreign merchants might apply through their ministers in Peking to the Board of Commerce for investigation, and issue of certificates. The Board of Commerce will then have sole control, and investigation can easily be made. I present this matter to your Board for consideration and instruction as to whether the postponement will be consented to, Shanghai or Peking be selected for the management, or to carry on what is originally arranged i.e. the Customs Houses at Tientsin and Shanghai to act as agents."

From the Waiwupu to the Board of Commerce—
"In examining the reply this Board finds that the Inspector-General has taken into consideration the whole matter and dealt with every point particularly. This Board has already thoroughly deliberated upon the regulations governing the registration of trade marks in the hope of managing it smoothly. Special instructions have been engaged to give tuition in the management of this undertaking, so there is a competent staff to carry on the work. The building of the head office and other necessities are in the main provided. The words 'shih pan' (Provisional) mean the commencement of the enterprise. In future additional regulations may be introduced either to extend the work or as an amendment and this will not be contrary to the rule now drawn up. The Customs Houses at Tientsin and Shanghai are created branch offices for registry, and their duty is stated in the rules to be that of receiving and forwarding applications.
The object of the rules is just as stated in the I. G. reply that this Board shall have the sole control of registering and issuing certificates. There must be complications if the Customs Houses at Tientsin and Shanghai also register and issue certificates. The work of registering and forwarding applications is quite simple; there will be no trouble in using Chinese. The English version of the rules and regulations (sanctioned by the I. G. giving facilities, shows his carefulness. The application and memorandum for registration must be in accordance with the 2nd paragraph of the 1st article of the detailed rules that foreign applications must be accompanied by Chinese translations. Regarding the ten special and seven miscellaneous forms, this Board has not seen the translations, and has no idea whether they are practicable or not."

Again, it is stated that the merchants of all nations request their ministers in Peking to communicate with the Waiwupu for postponement of the registration. This Board has only intervened on the 14th day of this month (22nd October, 1904) the day previous to the enforcement of the law) the German Minister about this question. This Board informed him at that time that this undertaking has already been approved by the Throne and can hardly be postponed. Besides his, no despatches have reached this Board from all the other Ministers concerning the postponement of this law. Moreover, this Board has received despatches from the British, American, and Japanese Ministers urging the enforcement of this law, previous to the presentation of the memorial for Imperial sanction. This Board has now received in succession more than 700 applications for registration of trade marks. It is impossible to make any delay. This is an approved case and has been notified to the Chinese and foreign merchants. This Board must carry on as originally arranged in accordance with rules and regulations. This Board therefore sends this despatch to your Board and requests that communication be made to the I. G. for instructions to the two Customs Houses.—Peking Times.

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SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich Georg & Co. in their weekly share list, dated the 10th inst., state—

Money amongst Chinese remains tight, and this has influenced the business of the week to a large extent, as far as cash shares are concerned, while on time the market remains very steady with inclination to buy. The Sterling demand rate on London closes at 1s. 10-11/16d., while the rates on Shanghai close at Tls. 70 1/2 for a bank's demand draft, and Tls. 71 1/4 for three days' sight private paper. Barsilver in London is quoted at 27-11/16d., and Consols at 48 1/2.

BANK SHARES.—Hongkong and Shanghai sold at \$710 and \$715, and are wanted at the higher rate; London quotes 470 5/8. 6d. Nationals are weak with probable sellers at \$39. **MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.**—Unions have advanced to \$700 sales and buyers. China Traders were sold at \$35 1/2, at the dividend of \$4 1/2 per share paid on 7th inst., but at that rate further shares could be placed, but sellers demand an advance. No. 11 China, after local sales at Tls. 98, are in demand at Tls. 98. Yangtze and Cantons unchanged and without business.

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES.—No business has come under our notice, but there are buyers of Hongkongs at \$235, and of Chinas at \$90.

SHIPPING SHARES.—A small lot of Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Shares sold at \$29; there are further sellers at \$29. In Indo-China a rather considerable business has been done, principally to the north at \$12 1/2, to \$130 cash and \$120 to \$130 for 31st instant, while locally fair transactions are reported at \$130 for 31st January, \$133 for 31st March, \$134 for 30th April and \$136 for 30th June, the market closing strong with cash buyers at \$128 and \$129 for end of the month, while time shares are difficult to get. The Shanghai rate is Tls. 92 steady, which at Tls. 71 1/2 works out at \$128.90 if bought from here, while London quotes \$122.25. 6d. China and Manilas are quiet at \$24, while Douglas has been purchased at \$34. Star Ferries are quiet with sellers at former rates; viz. \$40 for old and \$30 for new star s. Shell Transports sold at advancing rates, from 24s. 0d. to 26s. 0d. having then paid, but at 25s. 6d. there are sellers now. One London quotation is 26s. 6d. sellers.

REFINERIES.—China sugars sold at declining rates, down to \$32 having been accepted for cash shares; at the close there are sellers at \$32 1/2, but buyers \$33 1/2, and of the month. Luzons, owing to the report that the Americans are negotiating for the purchase of the Company's property in Manila, took a big spurt, and sales have been effected at rates ranging between \$17 and \$25 per share, the market closing with buyers at \$21, and sellers at \$25 per share.

MINING SHARES.—Rauhs sold in large quantities at \$5, closing easier with sellers at \$4 1/2 after receipt of telegram from the mine giving the last crushing with a result of 425 ounces of smelted gold from 2,530 tons of ore treated. The Hongkong Telegraph of 6th instant prints the general managers' report for the four weeks ended 5th ultimo.

DOCKS, WHARVES, AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's shares have suffered under the general dullness, although the Company is fully employed, and shares sold at \$219 to \$215 cash, \$218 to \$217 for 31st December, and \$225 to \$223 for 31st March, closing steady, however, with cash buyers at \$216. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's shares are on offer at \$114 1/4, and New Amoy Docks at \$27. Fernhams have ruled weak; they sold at 1s. 17 1/2 to 1s. 17 1/4 cash during the week, closing at 1s. 17 1/4. Shanghai quoting Tls. 175 sales, Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves have recd. 1 to Tls. 135 for old and Tls. 120 for new shares.

LANDS, HOTELS, AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company's shares have sellers at \$148 cash, but for time shares at slightly lower rates there exists a certain demand. Kowloon Lands have been part'd with at \$33 1/2, but more shares can be placed. West Points are on offer at \$60, while Hongkong Hotels are in good demand at \$141. Humphreys' Estates (old shares) sold at \$12 1/2, the new shares are on offer at \$5. Shanghai Lands are unchanged. Tls. 117 buyers.

COPPER MILLS.—There is no change to report in Shanghai mills. Hongkong Cottons have advanced to \$12 1/2 buyers.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Borneos have buyers at \$13, but holders demand a higher rate. A small lot of China Providents is wanted at \$24. Dairy Farms can be placed at \$30. Green Island Cement Shares, after sales at \$31 1/4, are somewhat easier with sellers at \$31, an extraordinary general meeting of this company's shareholders will be held on 14th instant, for the purpose of confirming the special resolutions, passed on 20th ultimo. Electric have buyers at \$15 for old and \$9 for new shares. A sale of Tramways is reported at \$295. Ropes have been in good demand, causing the market to advance to buyers at \$150. Steam Wrecks are offering at \$30. Langkats have buyers in the north at Tls. 290; the following telegraphic information, dated 1st instant, has been received from the manager in Langkat: "Daily aggregate output of crude petroleum 78,000 gallons; crude petroleum in tanks at date 180,000 gallons; kerosene made since the date of the preceding half-monthly telegram 78,000 cases; kerosene shipped since 80,000 cases, and kerosene in stock at refinery at date 64,000 cases." Shanghai and Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Company's shares are for sale at \$50; South China Morning Post Shares are wanted at \$21 1/2, after sales at \$20. Tebrans have sellers at \$14. Watkins have been done at \$9 1/4, but a few more are on offer. Watsons have sellers of old at \$13, while the new shares sold and have sellers at \$12 1/2. Powells are in demand at \$11.

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ANHUI, British str., 1,350, W. Frazier, 10th Dec.,—Taku 5th Dec., General.
 BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
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 CHANGCHOW, British str., 1,203, Monkman, 11th Dec.,—Taku 3rd Dec., and Chefoo 6th Dec., General.
 CHANGSHA, British str., 1,433, S. Moore, 10th Dec.,—Kobe via Kuchino 3rd Dec., General.
 CHOWTAI, German str., 1,104, H. Textor, 11th Dec.,—Bangkok 3rd Dec. and Ningbo 4th Dec. and Wood. Butterfield & Swire.
 CRANLEY, British str., 2,363, W. E. Steele, 11th Dec.,—Dunbar 18th Nov., Ballast, Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 EASTERN, British str., 3,386, W. G. McArthur, 11th Dec.,—Kobe 6th Dec., General.
 EIGRE, Norwegian str., 875, C. Rafen, 10th Dec.,—Bangkok 1st Dec., General.
 FOCHOW, British str., 1,207, Small, 10th Dec.,—Wuhu 6th Dec., General.
 GLENFALLOCH, British str., 1,432, Pentney, 11th Dec.,—Straits 4th Dec., General.
 GLORY, British battleship, 10th Dec.,—from practice.
 HAILAN, French str., 377, L. Andersen, 10th Dec.,—Pakhoi and Hoihow 3rd Dec., General.
 HAINUN, British str., 636, A. Robson, 11th Dec.,—Swatow 10th Dec., General.
 HANGSANG, British str., 1,356, Wilde, 10th Dec.,—Shanghai via Swatow 5th Dec., General.
 KAIPOK, British str., 1,000, E. Finlayson, 10th Dec.,—Cebu and Iloilo 6th Dec., General.
 KWONGSANG, British str., 1,438, P. M. B. Lake, 10th Dec.,—Canton 3rd Dec., General.
 LADIA, German str., 1,771, C. J. Erskine, 11th Dec.,—Wuhu and Chinkiang 6th Dec., Rice, Beans, Groundnuts, &c.,—Simsen & Co.
 PALAWAN, British str., 4,686, J. D. Andrew, 9th Dec.,—London 29th Oct., General.
 PHANANG, German str., 1,021, F. von Mangoldt, 10th Dec.,—Bangkok 3rd Dec., Rice.
 PROMISE, Norwegian str., 114, E. Thorstensen, 10th Dec.,—Bangkok via Saigon 29th Nov., General.
 PROVIDENCE, Norwegian str., 893, C. Cornelissen, 10th Dec.,—Amping via Amoy and Swatow 10th Dec., General.
 TAHERAN, British str., 1,121, Allan Jones, 11th Dec.,—Newchwang and Chefoo 2nd Dec., Beans and General.
 TEXAN, British str., 4,836, Wm. Lyons, 11th Dec.,—Moji 6th Dec., General.
 TYR, Norwegian str., 1,718, D. L. Danielsen, 10th Dec.,—Hongkong 3rd Dec., Coal.
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 MATHILDE, British str., for Tournay.
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 SHAHZAADA, British str., for Wuhu.
 SUISANG, British str., for Calcutta.
 TELERACHUS, British str., for Saigon.
 ZAFIRO, British str., for Manila.
 11th Dec.
 ANHUI, British str., for Canton.
 CLARA JENSEN, German str., for Haiphong.
 FOCHOW, British str., for Canton.
 GAGA, Norwegian str., for Singapore.
 JACOB DIEMERICHSEN, Ger. str., for Hoihow.
 KWONGSANG, British str., for Shanghai.
 LONGSHIPS, British str., for Singapore.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

10th Dec.
 ABERDEEN DOCK.—Fosching.
 KOWLOON DOCK.—U.S.S. Fishamer. Aqueduct, Huc, Indravelli, Vigilant, H.M.S. Robin, H.M.F.M.S. Vasco da Gama, Sealdia, Cosmopolitan Dock.—Aragonia.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
 FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.
 THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN,"
 Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 13th inst., at 9 A.M.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 DOUGLAS LAFLAIE & CO.,
 General Managers.
 Hongkong, 10th Dec., 1904. [2878]

BRITISH-INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
 FOR AMOY, STRAITS AND RANGOON.
 THE Company's Steamship

"PUNDUA,"
 Captain Thomson, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 13th inst., at DAYLIGHT.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 6th Dec., 1904. [2843]

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.
 THE Steamship
 "CRAIGHEARN,"
 Captain Edmunds, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY next, the 16th inst.
 For Freight, apply to
 BRADLEY & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 9th Dec., 1904. [2870]

FOR MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.
 THE Bucknell Line Steamship
 "MANICA,"
 Captain Leslie, will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 19th inst., at DAYLIGHT.
 For Freight, apply to
 A. S. MIHARA,
 Agent.
 Hongkong, 8th Dec., 1904. [2862]

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel the Harbour has been divided into 4 sections of anchorage from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and these vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf K.W., together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.		2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.		3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.		4. From Naval Yard to East Point.	
DESTINATION	VESSEL & AGENT	FLAG & REG	DEPTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED	
LONDON, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL	NIDIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	E. N. Tillard	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 17th inst., at Noon.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	DIOMED	Brit. str.	1 m.	Young	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th inst.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	MOYUNE	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 3rd Jan.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	HYSON	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th Jan.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	PRIAM	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st Jan.	
MARSEILLES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL	TOURANE	French str.		Girard	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	To-morrow, at 1 P.M.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	MANICA	Brit. str.		Leslie	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 19th inst., at Daylight.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	CANDIA	Brit. str.		H. C. Kitcat, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 21st inst.	
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	P. E. FRIEDRICH	Ger. str.		E. Frohn	MELCHERS & CO.	On 21st inst., at Noon.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SENEGAMBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Jaburg	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 1st Jan.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ARMENIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Forst	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 10th Jan.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. FERR. LAEISZ	Ger. str.	k.w.	von Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 22nd Jan.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	AMBRIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Porzelius	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 27th Jan.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ARCADIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Hildebrandt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 7th Feb.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Förck	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st Feb.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	RHYNANIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Filler	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 7th Mar.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAMBA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Behrens	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st Mar.	
TRIESTE, &c. VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	GIBBIA	Aus. str.		Luning	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 23rd inst., P.M.	
GENOA, MARSEILLES, HAVRE & LIVERPOOL	NINGCHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	Damianovich	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 22nd inst.	
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	LECTOR	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. Riley	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th Jan.	
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	SHIMOSA	Brit. str.		H. Pybus, R.N.R.	DODWELL & CO., LD.	About 28th inst.	
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	CLAUDEDALE	Brit. str.	2 m.		SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	About 30th inst.	
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	F. G. Purington	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 14th inst.	
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	ATHANIAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	Schuld	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 28th inst.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	PELAUS	Brit. str.	1 m.	Moore	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th inst.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	ABAGONIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	McArthur	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at Daylight.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. D. Andrews, R.N.R.	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 14th inst., at Noon.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	EASTERN	Brit. str.		A. E. Moses	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at Noon.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	YAWATA MARU	Brit. str.		Edmonds	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 14th inst., at Noon.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	CHANGKANG	Brit. str.		Saver	BRADLEY & CO.	On 16th inst.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	HINSAK	Brit. str.			JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	TUNGSHING	Brit. str.			JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow, at Daylight.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	YOHOU	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	KUUKANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	Harris	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	YUNNAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	Benson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	KWEIKANG	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th inst.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	WHAMPOA	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th inst.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	MAIYA	Brit. str.		R. A. Peters	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 17th inst.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	PONDUA	Brit. str.		Thomson	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow, at Daylight.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	TRUMPER	Jap. str.		A. Hansen	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 21st inst., at Daylight.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	FAIRBOUR	Jap. str.		H. A. Haraldson	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 19th inst., at Daylight.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	M. STRUBER	Jap. str.		T. Brandt	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 25th inst., at Daylight.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	PROVIDENCE	Jap. str.	1 m.	C. Cornelissen	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 14th inst., at Daylight.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	HAINUN	Brit. str.	2 h.	Robson	DODWELL & CO., LD.	To-morrow, at 9 A.M.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	TEAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	Sommerville	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	To-morrow.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	EASTERN	Brit. str.		G. D. Morrison	DODWELL & CO., LD.	On 14th inst., at Noon.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	YUKAN	Brit. str.		R. W. Almond	DODWELL & CO., LD.	About 15th inst.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.		B. Rodger	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 17th inst., at 10 A.M.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	TREMONT	Brit. str.		E. W. Garlick	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 24th inst., at 10 A.M.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	KAIPOK	Brit. str.	1 m.	T. W. Haller	DODWELL & CO., LD.	About 25th inst.	
ATLANTIC PORTS	TUPASAS	Dut. str.		E. Finlayson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.	
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ATLANTIC PORTS	CAPRI	Ital. str.		E. J. Haller	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 15th inst., at 3 P.M.	
ATLANTIC PORTS				Belsito	CARLOWITZ & CO.	To-morrow, at Noon.	

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 Capt. Förck (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)
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 Capt. Filler (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)
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 FOR SHANGHAI "TUNGSHING" ... Tues., 13th Dec., D'light.
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Hongkong, 12th Dec., 1904. [1938]

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STEAMSHIP TONS. CAPTAIN TO SAIL AT DAYLIGHT ON
 "ARAGONIA" ... 5,198 ... Schult ... December 13th, 1904.
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Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.

Hongkong, 14th October, 1904. [14]

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL REMARKS.
 YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, HAI, MOJI and KOBE ... PALAWAN ... J. D. Andrews, R.N.R. ... Noon, 12th Dec. ... Freight and Passage.
 (Passing through the Inland Sea)
 LONDON, &c. ... NUBIA ... F. N. Tillerd ... Noon, 17th Dec. ... See Special Advertisement.
 SHANGHAI ... MALTA ... R. A. Peters ... About 17th Dec. ... Freight and Passage.

MARSEILLES, LONDON and AMSTERDAM via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID ... CANDIA ... H. E. Kitcat, R.N.R. ... About 21st Dec. ... Freight only.

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Hongkong, 13th Dec., 1904.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA VIA MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

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 PLEIADES ... 3,753 ... F. G. Purington ... Saturday, December 17th
 TREMONT ... 3,636 ... T. W. Garlick ... January 10th
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THE Steamship
 "CAPRI,"
 Captain Belsito, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 13th inst., at Noon.
 At Bombay the Steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.
 For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to
 CARLOWITZ & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 1st Dec., 1904. [4]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL
 PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1904.
 "SHIMOSA" ... 28th Dec.
 "GHAEZE" ... 25th Jan.
 "SATSUMA" ... 5th Feb.
 For Freight and further information, apply to
 DODWELL & CO., LD.,
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 Hongkong, 10th Dec., 1904. [877]

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 ON TUESDAY, the 13th Dec., 1904, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "TOURANE," Captain Girard, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSIT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

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For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.
 L. BRIDOU,
 Acting Agent.
 Hongkong, 28th November, 1904. [2]

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 For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
 SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 2nd Dec., 1904. [3]

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
 PROPOSED SAILINGS.
 S.S. "CLAVERDALE" ... About 30th Dec., 1904.

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FROM	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HECTOR"	On 12th December.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"SOBRALENSE"	On 17th December.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HYSON"	On 20th December.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	On 27th December.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PRIAM"	On 4th January.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"WREYCASTLE"	On 5th January.	

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"DIOMED"	On 20th December.	
GENOA, MILES, HAVRE and LIVERPOOL	"NINGCHOW"	On 22nd December.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"MOYUNE"	On 3rd January.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"HYSON"	On 17th January.	
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"HECTOR"	On 20th January.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PRIAM"	On 31st January.	

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"PELEUS"	On 28th December.	

For Freight, apply to—

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AGENTS.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1904.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHANGSHA"	On 12th December.	

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
SHANGHAI	"YUENHAI"	On 12th December.	
AMOI, MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIKONG"	On 13th December.	
SHANGHAI and CHINKIANG	"KUNLIANG"	On 13th December.	
SHANGHAI	"YUNNAN"	On 13th December.	
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 13th December.	
SHANGHAI	"KWEIYANG"	On 14th December.	
SHANGHAI	"WHAPOA"	On 14th December.	

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1904.

OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN
HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS
AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
ANPING, VIA SWATOW AND AMOI	"PROVIDENCE"	WEDNESDAY, 14th Dec., at Daylight.
TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOI	"C. CORNELIUSSEN"	SUNDAY, 18th Dec., at Daylight.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW AND AMOI	"H. A. HAZELDEN"	WEDNESDAY, 21st Dec., at Daylight.
TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOI	"TRIUMPH"	SUNDAY, 25th Dec., at Daylight.
	"M. STRUVE"	
	"T. BRANDT"	

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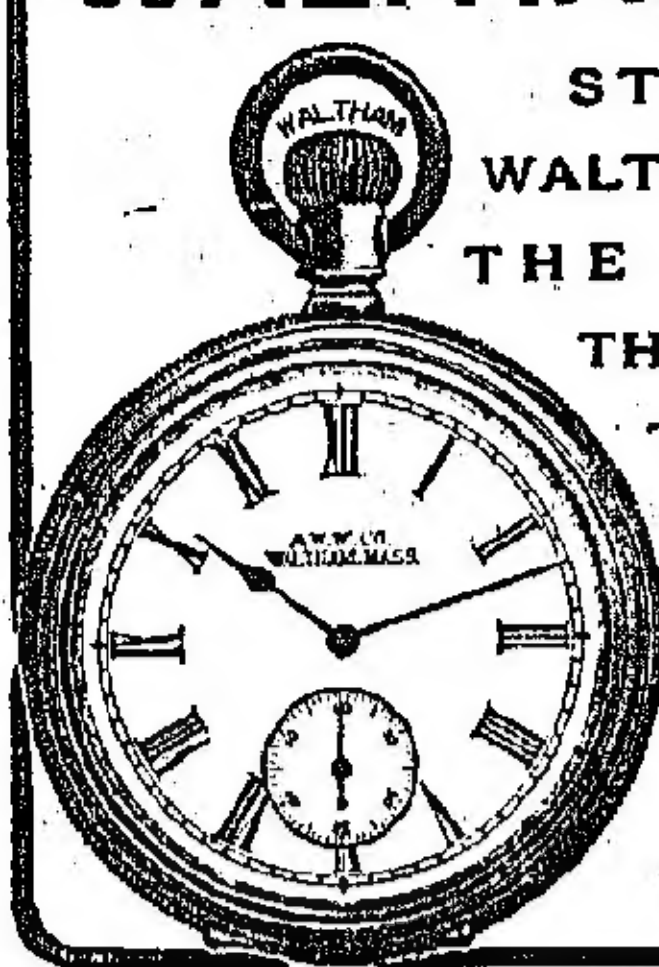
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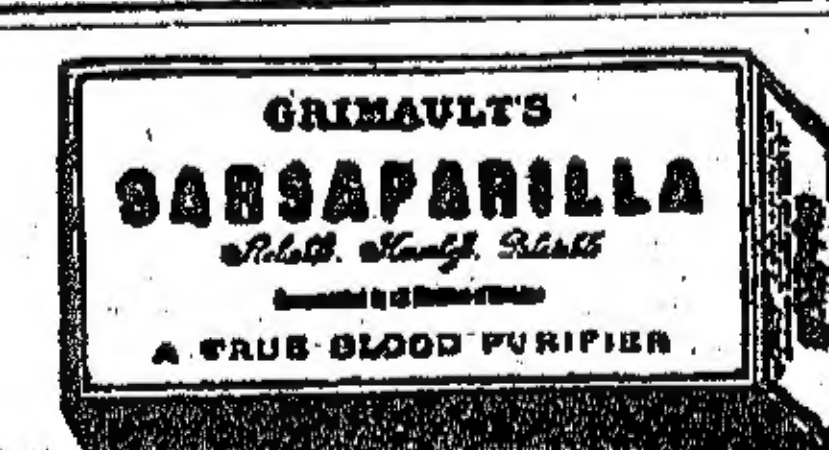
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